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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- No additional fee is required.
- The fee has been calculated as shown below.
- П This is an application of a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9(f), and the amounts shown in parentheses apply.

Claims as Amended

(1)	(2) Claims remaining after amendment	(3)	(4) Highest number previously paid for	(5) Present extra	(6) Rate	(7) Additional Fee
Total claims	5	Minus	** =20	* x	\$18 (9)	= \$
Independent claims	1	Minus	***=3	* 1 x	\$84 (42)	= \$
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- If the highest number of total claims previously paid for is less than 20, write "20" in this space.
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